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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Patent Application of

Kent MALMGREN et al.

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING AN
ABSORBENT MATERIAL, AN
ABSORBENT MATERIAL AND
ABSORBENT ARTICLES
INCLUDING THE MATERIAL IN
QUESTION

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) Group Art Unit: 1623

) Examiner: E. White

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the final Official Action issued September 20, 2001:

two months to February 20, 2002; the extension fee is:

[] \$200.00 (216) [X] \$400.00 (116).

[] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated

[X] An extension fee in the amount of \$ 400.00 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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